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//((FROM THE "NOVOSTI" NEWSCAST: VIDEO REPORT FROM BIRMINGHAM, ENGLAND BY OLEG SHOMMER, MIKHAIL GOLTSEV, IDENTIFIED BY CAPTION))

((EXCERPT)) ((PASSAGE OMITTED SHOWING BIRMINGHAM STREET SCENES, DESCRIBING CLEANLINESS)) ((181747)) ((SHOMMER OVER VIDEO OF AIRPORT ARRIVAL AND PRESENTATION SCENES)) SARATOV AIRCRAFT BUILDERS, DESIGNERS FROM THE YAKOVLEV DESIGN BUREAU, AND CENTRAL AERODYNAMICS INSTITUTE SPECIALISTS HAVE BEEN INVITED TO ENGLAND TO PRESENT THEIR OUTPUT FOR ASSESSMENT BY POTENTIAL FUTURE BUYERS. INCIDENTALLY, JUDGING BY THE INTEREST SHOWN BY THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND REPRESENTATIVES OF INDUSTRIAL AND FINANCIAL CIRCLES IN THE NEW GENERATION OF YAK AIRCRAFT, WHOSE PRODUCTION IS NOW BEING SET UP IN THE VOLGA CITY, CONQUERING THE WESTERN MARKET IS NOT JUST A PIPE DREAM.

THIS 120-SEAT AIRCRAFT FITTED WITH MODERNIZED NAVIGATIONAL EQUIPMENT AND AVIONICS CAN TAKE OFF AND LAND IN VIRTUALLY ANY WEATHER. THE LEVEL OF COMFORT MATCHES INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS. ((VIDEO SHOWS GLOSSY PICTURES AND AIRCRAFT CABIN))

THE PLANT IS PLANNING IN THE NEAR FUTURE TO EMBARK ON THE PRODUCTION OF A NEW EIGHT-SEATER PASSENGER BUSINESS JET WHOSE SPECIFICATIONS WILL RIVAL ITS BRITISH COMPETITOR, PRODUCED BY BRITISH AEROSPACE. THIS IS THE COMPANY WHICH IS ALSO TAKING PART IN BUILDING THE NOW WIDELY-KNOWN AIRBUS. AS DISTINCT FROM THE PRACTICE IN OUR COUNTRY IN RECENT YEARS, THIS IS A GRAPHIC EXAMPLE OF COOPERATION AMONG LEADING WESTERN COUNTRIES.

* THE NEWS THAT A GENUINE FLYING SAUCER IS BEING ASSEMBLED IN SARATOV PROVED A SENSATION. THIS FUNDAMENTALLY NEW AIRCRAFT, WHICH COMBINES WING AND FUSELAGE, NEEDS NO AIRFIELDS. A SOFT LANDING ON LAND OR WATER IS POSSIBLE BY MEANS OF AN AIR CUSHION. ITS PAYLOAD IS UP TO HALF ITS OWN WEIGHT. THIS IS UNPRECEDENTED IN AVIATION HISTORY.

IT WOULD BE A PITY IF THIS UNIQUE CRAFT, WHICH HAS NO PARALLEL AND WHICH, I BELIEVE, WOULD BE GLADLY WELCOMED AT ANY FOREIGN *AIRFIELD, WERE TO REMAIN AN "UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT" IN ITS OWN COUNTRY. ((VIDEO AIRPORT AND CONFERENCE SCENES, GLOSSY PICTURES OF

*AIRCRAFT AND AIRCRAFT IN FLIGHT, "FLYING SAUCER" FROM VARIOUS ANGLES IN HANGAR))

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